

Greetings Rockdale Family and Community Partners,

## **Summary of Updates**

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## **Rockdale County Covid-19 Overview**

As of late Covid-19 numbers are indicative of Rockdale County being a **Substantial** area per the Georgia Department of Public Health. CDC numbers are still an indication that Rockdale County Area is still High.

Please see below for vaccine and testing updates, and encourage all staff, department, family, and friends to be aware of solid hygiene and mask habits and the importance of getting vaccinated. As a reminder, here are a few ways you can protect yourself and your family:

- Get Vaccinated!
- In high and substantial transmission areas, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask indoors!
- Remember to stay 6 feet away from people and avoid crowds and poorly ventilated areas!

Visit the COVID dashboard [here](#) to see the latest COVID stats for GA and Rockdale.

### **Sites for locating/booking Vaccination Appointments:**

Private provider via <https://vaccinefinder.org/>

Text 'Vax' to 1-844-554-4024

Links to scheduling options are available on DPH's vaccine [website](#) and the following link [Mako Medical - GA Testing](#)

DPH hotline for individuals with questions or those that need assistance scheduling an appointment - Public Health Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line 888-457-0186. If you know of individuals who cannot schedule online, please refer them to this call center. A representative will make an appointment for them.

All local Public Health Departments and open GNR Health Department clinic sites (Lawrenceville, Norcross, Covington, and Conyers) will be providing vaccines on a walk-in

basis. These departments can also provide you with vaccine cards if you did not receive one during your vaccination(s).

**DPH/Mako Test Sites** is a partnership between DPH and Mako Medical to offer **free** COVID-19 testing events across Georgia.

The Springfield Baptist Church drive-thru COVID-19 testing site is now closed.

**Reminder: the vaccine is available for 5–11-year old's**

You can **Walk-in or schedule an appointment** at a public or private site throughout GA. The vaccine is available with no appointment at all GNR mass vaccination sites and open GNR Health Department clinic sites (Lawrenceville, Norcross, Covington, and Conyers). Vaccines for 5–11-year-olds continue to be available at GNR health centers only.

CDC recommends **everyone ages 5 years and older** get a **COVID-19 vaccine** to help protect against COVID-19.

Authorized For	Pfizer-BioNTech	Moderna	J&J / Janssen
4 years and under	No	No	No
5–11 years old	Yes	No	No
12–17 years old	Yes	No	No
18 years and older	Yes	Yes	*

\*Everyone ages 18 years and older should get a booster dose of either Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna (mRNA COVID-19 vaccines) at least 2 months after receiving the Johnson & Johnson's Janssen (J&J/Janssen) vaccine [in most situations](#).

Widespread vaccination for COVID-19 is a critical tool to best protect everyone from COVID-19 and COVID-19 related complications. Children and teens who are [fully vaccinated can safely resume many activities](#) that they did prior to the pandemic.

Everyone ages 16 years and older can get a COVID-19 booster shot. Learn more about [booster shots](#).

## **COVID-19 Data**

Rockdale is currently categorized in the **Moderate transmission** category. This is one step down from High transmission.

**Rockdale** has had **18,243** (this number now contains the Antigen tests) total report/tested cases and **308** deaths to date (**03/10/2022**).

Chart directly below is being discontinued by DPH. Please use the new DPH chart for the Rockdale County Community Level report.

	Georgia Department of Public Health Community Indicator Report Data: Rockdale County, GA							CDC
	14-day confirmed case rate per 100,000 (Confirmed PCR tests only)	14-day laboratory positive case rate per 100,000 (Confirmed PCR + antigen tests)	14-day PCR % Positivity rate	7-day confirmed case rate per 100,000 (Confirmed PCR tests only)	7-day laboratory positive case rate per 100,000 (PCR + antigen)	7-day PCR % Positivity rate	DPH Level of Community Transmission*	CDC Community Transmission Level* (Based on new guideline)
<b>Current</b>	See new DPH chart below							
<b>Previous</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>Substantial</b>	<b>Low</b>
<b>Previous Two weeks</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>8.6%</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>7.8%</b>	<b>Substantial</b>	<b>High</b>

NEW DPH CHART	Georgia DPH Community Indicator Report Data <sup>1</sup>				CDC COVID-19 Data Tracker/ Community Report <sup>2</sup>			CDC COVID-19 Community Level (NEW*) <sup>3</sup>
	7-day Confirmed Case Rate Per 100,000	7-day PCR % Positive	PCR % Trend Compared to Last Week's	DPH Level of Community Transmission	7-day Confirmed Case Rate Per 100,000	7-day PCR % Positive	CDC Level of Community Transmission	COVID-19 Community Level
<b>Current</b>	47	3.8%	↓	Moderate	55.01	3.85%	Substantial	Low

As of **03/10/2022**, Rockdale Medical Center is operating with 50% ventilators available.

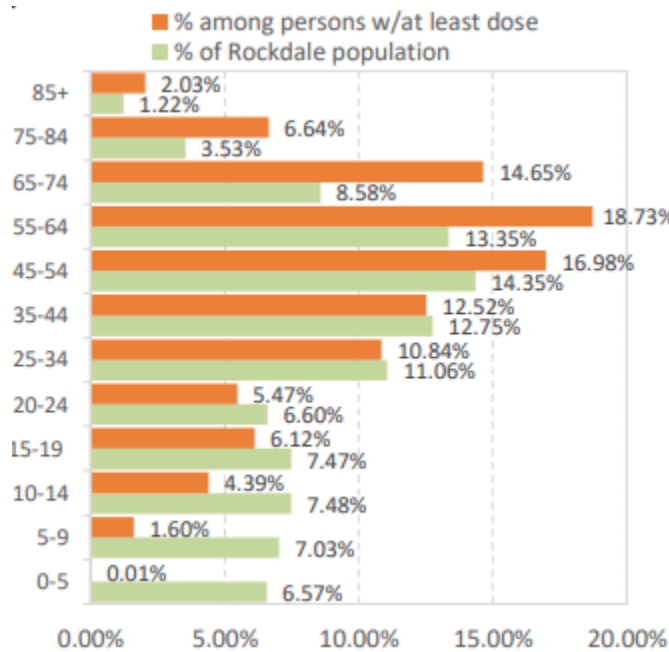
**Based on current reporting for the COVID-19 vaccine:**

**58%** of the eligible population in Rockdale has at least one dose.

**53%** of the eligible population in Rockdale is fully vaccinated.

(These numbers now include those 5 years of age and older as eligible)

**Vaccinations by age groups: (at least one dose) As of 03/10/22**  
**(Percent shown is the percentage of all residents in that age group)**



**Please make your staff, department, family, and friends aware that now is not the time to become complacent in our efforts to combat this virus. As schools, businesses, and churches continue to reopen completely, it will be effortless to fall out of our good hygiene habits to combat COVID. So, keep up the efforts and get vaccinated!**

***Other Information and New Updates!***

Remember that there are now CDC mask requirements in communities with a Low transmission.